***Prezi***

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For this Methods Trial, I chose *Prezi*. “*Prezi* is a virtual whiteboard that transforms presentations from monologues into conversations: enabling people to see, understand, and remember ideas” (<http://prezi.com/about/>). I’m not sure how long it’s been around, but I had never heard of it until this semester. I provided five questions to someone who is not too familiar with *Prezi* and presented the same questions to someone who is very familiar with *Prezi* and uses it often.

**Results**

**Do you like *Prezi*?**

Both say “yes”.

**What are some advantages of *Prezi*?**

They don’t have to be concerned with linking to files or carrying around removable disks.

**What are some disadvantages?**

1. The free account makes it public thus insecure.
2. If you get carried away with the zooming, you can make the audience dizzy.  Bad internet connection = no presentation.

**Do you prefer *Prezi* or *PowerPoint* and why?**

1. “I don't know if I can say that I prefer one to another right now as I use P*owerPoint* for different purposes than I would use *Prezi.  Prezi* is for my class assignment and impersonal information I use *PowerPoint* for family and business as I can secure the contents but I think the day may be approaching when i choose to buy the *Prezi* upgrade simply because of how professional it looks and the general cohesiveness.”
2. “Recently, I’ve been relying on *Prezi* so I think by default, my answer is *Prezi*.  However, when working on a group presentation in collaboration with peers, PowerPoint is my choice.”

**Would you recommend this to students to use for presentations?**

1. “I would definitely recommend *Prezi* for student use very user friendly.”
2. “Yes.  Especially since students and educators can obtain access to the mid-grade option free of charge.  None of the students in my classes use it and I feel my presentations are more unique.”

Karie is a classmate and we are using *Prezi* for our group project. We are keeping ours very simple; however, Ken used *Prezi* for one of our meetings and it was much more detailed. Therefore, I can’t say that I would not ever use *Prezi* because I haven’t actually designed a presentation on my own using that software. But, I can’t say I prefer *PowerPoint* either. *Prezi* would definitely be a good project to try in the classroom because it is unique and the level of complexity would be up to the student.